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Applicant : Toshihiro Shimizu et al.
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RESPONSE AND ELECTION

Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office action dated January 9, 2006. The one month period for responding to the Office action expires on February 9, 2006.

The Examiner has required Applicant to elect a single invention for prosecution on the merits. Applicant hereby elects to proceed with Invention I, claims 1-6 and 20 without traverse.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 33551.

Respectfully submitted,

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